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SUBJECT: CODEL CLARK

REF: (A) STATE 263472; (B) STATE 262827; (C) STATE 260192

1. AIRLINE RESERVATIONS. DETA AIRLINES FLIGHTS TM 418 FROM MAPUTO TO LUANDA AND TM 417 FROM LUANDA TO MAPUTO HAVE BEEN DISCONTINUED. AS OF NOVEMBER 1 DETA WILL FLY ONLY ONE DAY A WEEK (FRIDAYS) TO AND FROM ANGOLA. THE SCHEDULE WILL BE AS FOLLOWS: FLIGHT TM 400 WILL DEPARTE MAPUTO EVERY FRIDAY AT 0700 HOURS, ARRIVE LUANDA 1250 HOURS; FLIGHT TM 403 WILL DEPART LUANDA AT 1400 HOURS SAME DAY, ARRIVE MAPUTO 2150 HOURS. BOTH FLIGHTS WILL STOP IN LUSAKA AND BEIRA. SHOULD WARN CODEL THAT OCCASIONALLY FLIGHTS TO AND FROM ANGOLA HAVE BEEN CANCELLED DURING PAST MONTH.

2. ALTERNATIVE IS TO SEEK SPECIAL PERMISSION FROM GPRM CIVIL AVIATION AUTHORITIES TO ALLOW CODEL TRAVEL VIA TAP FLIGHT 224 LEAVING MAPUTO 1755 TUESDAY ARRIVING 2100 LUANDA. RETURN COULD BE ARRANGED ON DETA FLIGHT RETURNING FROM LUANDA ON FRIDAY AS ABOVE.

3. HOTELS. SINGLE ROOMS RESERVED AT POLANA HOTEL. IF DATES OF CODEL VISIT TO MAPUTO ARE CHANGED, THERE WILL BE NO PROBLEM IN REBOOKING RESERVATIONS.

4. ANSWERS TO SCHEDULING QUESTIONS.

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A. WORKING DAY BEGINS AT 0800 HOURS.
B. BREAKFAST APPOINTMENTS AT HOTEL ARE POSSIBLE, ALTHOUGH IT NOT THE PRACTICE IN MAPUTO. BREAKFAST IS SERVED IN DINNING HALL BEGINNING 0730 HOURS,
C. LOCAL PRACTICE IS TO BREAK FOR LUNCH FROM NOON TO 1400 HOURS.
D. APPOINTMENTS CAN BE SCHEDULE D FOR LATE AFTERNOON. THIS IS OFTEN THE TIME SENIOR MINISTERS PREFER TO RECEIVE VISITORS. SINCE THERE IS A PUBLIC CAMPAIGN AGAINST ALCOHOLISM, GPRM OFFICIALS WOULD PROBABLY PREFER NOT MEET FOR DRINKS. HOWEVER, THEY VERY OFTEN INVITE FOREIGN VISITORS FOR PRIVATE DINNER AT POLANA HOTEL.

5. TEMPERATURE. WEATHER IS UNPREDICABLE IN NOVEMBER. MEAN TEMPERATURE IS 72 DEGREES. SUMMER WEIGHT CLOTHING IS BEST. RAIN IS LIKELY.

6 AMBASSADOR HAS MEETING SCHEDULED WITH FOREIGN MINISTER CHISSANO FOR AFTERNOON OCTOBER 29. WILL TRY LINE UP APPOINTMENTS REQUESTED REFTEL A AT THAT TIME.

7. EMBASSY NOTES THAT CONGRESSWOMAN COLLINS IS NOT MENTIONED REFTEL B. WE ASSUME FROM THIS THAT SHE WILL NOT BE ACCOMPANYING SENATOR CLARK AS INDICATED REFTEL C. PLEASE ADVISE.
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